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(54) Live vaccine to getah virus infectious disease, and trivalent live vaccine to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and getah virus infectious diseases.

(ii) A trivalent live vaccine to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus infectious diseases, which comprises a mixture of (i) a live vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease as created by cultivating an attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain, as obtained by continuous serial passages of a virulent Getah virus strain in Vero cells to 70 generations at 30 °C followed by two times cloning by a plaque method to get purified virus, to HAL cells in such a way that the multiplicity of infection (amount of inoculated viruses/number of cells) is about 0.1; adsorbing the viruses to the cells for 60 minutes at 37 °C; then removing the inoculated viral fluid from the cells; adding a culture medium for cultivation of the viruses thereto; incubating the cells for 48 to 72 hours at 30 °C; and, after the cytopathic effect (CPE) has been confirmed to progress to the middle degree or more, collecting the culture medium fluid to obtain an intended living vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease, (ii) a viral fluid as obtained by inoculating an attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain to HmLu-1 cells as admitted to be suitable for propagation of the attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain therewith, and (iii) a viral fluid as obtained by inoculating an attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup> /SK strain to swine kidney culture cells as admitted to be suitable for propagation of the attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup> /SK strain therewith, in such a proportion that the viral content in each viral fluid in the mixture is almost the same.

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The present invention relates to a live vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease and to a trivalent live vaccine to Japanese encephalitis virus, Porcine parvovirus and Getah virus infectious diseases.

Recently, it has been found that infection of pregnant sows with Getah virus causes death of fetuses from them. Swines are animals having high sensitivity to Japanese encephalitis virus. In particular, when a pregnant sow is infected with the virus, fetuses in it are also infected therewith through its placenta to cause fetal death. In addition, infection of a pregnant sow with porcine parvovirus also results in infection of its fetuses therewith, like the case of Japanese encephalitis virus, to cause a problem of stillbirth.

In order to solve the problems, vaccines have already been developed to Japanese encephalitis virus and porcine parvovirus infectious diseases and have already been put to practical use. However, to Getah virus infectious disease, a vaccine is not developed up to the present, and development of it is earnestly desired. The number of sows or gilts for which are now bred here in Japan is presumed to be about 1,200,000, and vaccination of these swines against Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus infectious diseases must be completed every year within a determined period before an epizootic of the diseases. For this, much labor which is almost beyond imagining is necessary for maintaining the swines and for preparing and sterilizing injectors and other injection appliances to be used and also for actually effecting injection to them for vaccination. Anyhow, the vaccination therefore needs large economical expenses.

In view of the above-mentioned points, the object of the present invention is to provide an attenuated Getah viral live vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease, which may confer a permanent immunity on swings against the disease by single injection thereof to swines, and to also provide trivalent live vaccine to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus infectious diseases. Using the vaccines, labor for maintaining swines to be vaccinated therewith may be reduced and also labor for preparing injectors or other injection appliances to be used for vaccination with them as well as labor for effecting injection of swines with them may be reduced, and therefore the economical expenses for vaccination of swines against the infectious diseases may be much reduced.

The live vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease of the present invention comprises an establishment of attenuated viral strain as obtained by serial passages of wild type Getah virus strain in Vero cells at a low temperature under permissive temperature range for propagation of it to obtain attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain followed by incubating the KB/VT strain in HAL cells. In the case, a Getah virus virulent strain is passaged continuously in Vero cells at 30 °C for attenuating it. In addition, the serial passage is conducted continuously to 70 generations, followed by two times clonings by a plaque method to obtain attenuated KB/VT strain. The thus attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain by such serial passages at permissive temperature for propagation of it is cultivated in HAL cells in such a way that the multiplicity of infection (M.O.I.; amount of inoculated viruses/number of cells) is about 0.1. After adsorption for 60 minutes at 37 °C, the inoculated viral fluid is removed, a culture medium for cultivation of viruses is added, and the cells are incubated for 48 to 72 hours at 30 °C. After the cytopathic effect (CPE) has been confirmed to progress to the middle degree or more, the culture fluids is collected to obtain a living vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease.

The trivalent live vaccine to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus infectious diseases of the present invention comprises a mixture of a viral fluid as obtained by inoculating an attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain to HmLu-1 cells as admitted to be suitable for propagation of the attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain therewith, a viral fluid as obtained by inoculating an attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup> /SK strain to swine kidney culture cells as admitted to be suitable for propagation of the attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup> /SK strain therewith, and a viral fluid as obtained by inoculating an attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain to HAL cells as admitted to be suitable for propagation of the attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain therewith, each in a suitable amount.

The attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain is obtained from 2078 strain (an wild type strain of Getah virus as isolated from Culex tritaeniorhynchus and passaged to seven generations in a suckling mouse brain) by the serial passages in Vero cells to 70 generations, then cloning it two times by a plaque method, and further passaged it to one generation in HAL cells. The attenuated strain thus obtained by the process is used as an master seed virus, and the seed virus for vaccine production is prepared from master seed by the serial passage within limited passage generations. In general, in creating an attenuated strain, a means of serial passages of the virus at a low permissive temperature for propagation of it to attain the intended attenuation is employed. In the case of the Getah virus in the present invention, the virus is attenuated by continuous serial passages of it in Vero cells at 30 °C. The attenuated strain (KB/VT strain) thus obtained is not pathogenic even when it is inoculated in the brain of a suckling mouse. In addition, it forms clear small-sized plaques in cultivation with HAL cells and is easily differentiated from the parent strain of forming large-sized plaques. Such characteristics of the attenuated strain have been found to be stable even after

serial passages thereof to five generations at 37 °C.

The above-mentioned attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain is obtained by cultivating a strain derived from a virulent Japanese encephalitis virus Mukai strain, which is propagated in hamster kidney culture cells, by cloning, in mouse fetal fibroblasts, followed by the serial passages of the hamster kidney culture cells to ten generations and then cloning them. The seed virus thus obtained by the process is used as a master seed virus, which is further passaged to prepare a seed virus.

The above-mentioned attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup> /SK strain is established by the serial passages of an attenuated strain (HT<sup>-</sup> strain), which is established by serial passage of 90HS strain (virulent strain of porcine parvovirus, as isolated from a stillborn swine fetus and passaged to eleven generations with ESK cells (established swine kidney cell line)) to 55 generations, to further 41 generations with swine kidney culture cells at 30 to 32 °C. The thus obtained strain is used as a master seed virus, which is further passaged to prepare a seed virus.

The number of generations is to be three generations or less for the preparation of the master seed virus and two generations or less for the seed virus, in all the attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain, attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup>/SK strain and attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain.

The proportion of the components of the attenuated Japanese encephalitis viral fluid, the attenuated porcine parvoviral fluid and the attenuated Getah viral fluid in the combined live vaccine is determined on the basis of the viral infective titer in each viral fluid. In general, the components may be blended to form the combined live vaccine in such a way that the viral contents in the respective viral fluids are almost same or the ratio of them is about 1/1/1/.

The live vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease of the present invention, as mentioned above, may be inoculated to sows and others to thereby produce an immune antibody for capable of obtaining a permanent immunity by single injection of the vaccine. In the case, the farrowing results are all those of normal birth, and all the piglets before drinking the colostrum from the dam are not infected with Getah virus. Therefore, inoculation of the vaccine of the present invention to pregnant sows causes no problems and is safe. Regarding the trivalent vaccine as prepared by combining the live vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease and Japanese encephalitis virus and porcine parvovirus, swines may be immunized to infections with Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus by only single injection. Moreover, using the trivalent vaccine of the present invention, labor and economical expenses for vaccination of a large amount of swines within a determined period of time may be reduced noticeably.

#### Detailed Description of the Preferred Embodiments:

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- (1) Preparation of live vaccine of attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus:
- An attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain is inoculated to HmLu-1 cells so that M.O.I is about 0.1. After adsorbed for 60 minutes at 37 °C, the inoculated viral fluid is removed, a culture medium fluid for propagation of the viruses is added, and the cultures are incubated for 24 to 48 hours at 37 °C. After the cytopathic effect (CPE) has been confirmed to propagate to the middle degree or more, the culture fluids is collected.
- (2) Preparation of live vaccine of attenuated porcine parvovirus:

For preparing attenuated porcine parvoviruses,HT-/SK strain is inoculated to swine kidney culture cells so that M.O.I. is about 0.1; and after adsorbed for 60 minutes at 37 °C, the inoculated viral fluid is removed, a culture medium fluid for propagation of the viruses is added, the cultures are incubated for 7 days at 32 °C, and the culture fluid is collected.

(3) Preparation of live vaccine of attenuated Getah virus:

For preparing attenuated Getah viruses, KB/VT strain is inoculated to HAL cells so that M.O.I. is about 0.1; and after adsorbed for 60 minutes at 37 °C, the inoculated viral fluid is removed, a culture medium fluid for propagation of the viruses is added, and the cultures are incubated for 48 to 72 hours at 30 °C. After the cytopathic effect (CPE) has been confirmed to propagate to the middle degree or more, the culture fluid is collected.

(4) Preparation of trivalent live vaccine to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus infectious diseases:

The viral fluids as obtained from each of the above-mentioned culture fluids has been examined and confirmed to be suitable as a material for preparation of vaccine, and all the viral fluids are mixed in a proportion of the attenuated Japanese encephalitis viral fluid to the attenuated porcine parvoviral fluids to the attenuated Getah viral fluid of being 1/1/1. To the mixture is added a stabilizer of an aqueous solution containing 20 w/v % lactose and 0.6 w/v % polyvinyl pyrrolidone in a proportion of being 1/2. The combined vaccine is divided in vials each in a suitable amount thereof, and freeze-dried.

# (5) Safety and effectiveness:

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In order to examine the safety of the trivalent vaccine thus prepared as above, the dried vaccine was dissolved in a phosphate-buffered saline solution to prepare a vaccine solution, which was inoculated to experimental animals.

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10	neally.			suc	Mean Weight (g)	10 days	later	26.9			27.6			27.2		
15	or intraperito			Clinical Observations	Mean We	before	inoculation	20.5			20.7			21.1		
20	subcutaneously, intramuscularly or intraperitoneally.			Clinic	Clinical	Remarks		Normal			Normal			Normal		
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40	35 0			Inoculation	Route			subcutaneous			intramuscular			intraperitoneally		
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<sup>:</sup> Attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain Ε

<sup>:</sup> Attenuated porcine parvovirus HT-/SK strain =

<sup>:</sup> Attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain

	•				,	2	10 days	er												
5					St	ght (8	10	later	385			373			380					
10	weight of about 300g subcutaneously,				Clinical Observations	Mean Weight (g)	· before	inoculation	310			313			307					
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35	inoculated to guinea pigs each having	y. The results			Inoculation	Route			subcutaneous			intramuscular			intraperitoneally			Japanese encephalitis virus m strain	porcine parvovirus HT-/SK strain	
40		intraperitoneally.			Pigs In	Number Ro	of Test	Animals	ns E			3 in			3 in			Japanese ence	porcine parvo	
45	(B) The vaccine was	intramuscularly or i		;	Guinea	Weight			310			313			307			: Attenuated	: Attenuated	
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As is obvious from the results in Tables 1 and 2, all the tests animals were healthy and the safety of the above-mentioned combined vaccine was proved.

K : Attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain

(C) The trivalent vaccine was inoculated to 7-day old piglets each having no immune antibody to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus. These piglets were observed and the results of them are shown in Table 3 below. All the tested piglets were healthy and the safety of the vaccine

was also proved.

10	-	Weight 14 days	after inoculation(kg)	5,1	5.0	5.6	5.4		5.2
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	9		7	•	•	1	•		٠
25			-	•	1	1	•		•
35		ne Amount	(m))	1.0					culated)
40		Combined Vaccine Inoculation Amount		subcutaneous					not inoc
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		Tested piglets							
50		Tested piglet.		2.4	2.2	2.5	2.4	,	2.3
		Tes	<u> </u>	-	7	m	4		\r

<sup>(</sup>D) In order to examine the safety of the vaccine to pregnant sows, the vaccine was injected to two pregnant sows which were then observed until they farrowed. The results of the observation are shown in Table 4, from which it is noted that all the tested sows were healthy. After inoculation of the vaccine, the sows were admitted to propduce an immune antibody to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus

and Getah virus. The farrowing results from the tested pregnant sows were all normal. Each piglet was bled before the taking of colostrum from dam and the blood from piglet was examined as to whether it had an immune antibody to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus. As a result, the blood was found to have no immune antibody to the viruses.

From this, it is proved that injection of the trivalent vaccine causes no fetal infection therewith in pregnant sows and is therefore safe to them.

	55	•	50	45		40	35	30	25	20	10	
							Table 4					
						(D) Safety	(D) Safety Test to Pregnant Pigs	nant Pigs	0			
Test	ested sows	SWC	Vaccine	Inoc	accine Inoculation	Antibod	Antibody titer (*1)	Fa	Farrowing	Results		
No. F	No. Pregnancy		Route	ă	Dose	before	after	number	number	number	Antibody of piglets	
_	period	P		T)	(TCIDs.) (2*)	inoculation	farrowing	of	of	of	before taking of colos-	
	(days)	<u>~</u>						births	normal	fetal	trum(No. of positive/	
									births	deaths	No. of tested)	
-	25		subcutaneous 100 m100.1	10 sr	0 m10a.1	J<10	1280	11	11	0	0/11	
					H107.5	P < 10	640					
					K108.2	6<10	1280				٠	
2	28		subcutaneous 100 m100.1	10 sr	0 m108.1	J<10	640	10	10	0	0/10	
					H107.5	P < 10	320					
	ŀ				K108.2	6<10	1280			, ;		
m	45		subcutaneous		1 m106.1	J<10	80	6	6	0	6/0	
					H105.5	P < 10	40					
	j				K104.2	G<10	160					
4	43		subcutaneous	ST	1 m106.1	J<10	40	12	12	0	0/12	
				•	H105.5	P<10	20					
					K106.2	G<10	80					
<b>₹</b>	ה	: Japanese		alitis	encephalitis virus HI	antibody	titer					
	 م	Porcin	Porcine parvovirus HI	H Sn.	I antibody	y titer						
	 5	Getah	G : Getah virus HI	antib	antibody titer					٠		
(*5)	 E	m : Infective	tive titer of	of at	tennated	Japanese en	attenuated Japanese encephalitis m strain	strain				
	 =	Infective	ive titer of	of at	tennated	attenuated porcine parvovirus		HT-/SK strain	<u>.c</u>			
	 ¥	K : Infective	ive titer of		attennated	Getah virus KB/VT	KB/VT strain	_				

50	45	40	40	35	30	25	20	15	10	5 .	
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	3				(E) Effectiveness Test	Test					
ted sows	\ \ \	Vaccine Inoculation	culation	Challenge b	Challenge by virulent strain		Antibody titer		Far	Farrowing	
pregnancy		Route	Dose	Strain(*)	method	before	At a time	After	number	number	number
period		_	(TCID; )	pregnancy-	of	i nocu-	jo	farrow-	of	of	of
(days)			•	period(days)	challenge	lation	challenge	ing	births	normal	fetal
				when		*				births	deaths
				challenge							
				inoculation							
23 sut	ocuta	subcutaneous  m	m 10 <sup>5</sup> · •	44	virulent	J<10	160	1280	11	11	0
			H105.3		Japanese	P<10	88	20			
			K106.5		encephalitis	0< 10	640	160			
					virus (sub-						
					cutaneous)						
25 sut	subcutaneou	neous  m	m 10 <sup>5</sup> · 8	46	virulent	J<10	80	40	10	10	0
			H105.3		porcine	P<10	40	320			
			K106.5		parvoviru	6 < 10	160	40			
					(intranasal)					*	
5 sub	subcutaneou	neous im	m105.8	92	virulent	J<10	88	70	6	6	0
			H105.3		Getah virus	P<10	40	40			
			K106.5		(subcutaneous)	6<10	160	320			
Amount of	challe	enge viruse	s:Virule	nt Japanese 6	mount of challenge viruses: Virulent Japanese encephalitis virus Furumoto strain 104· ºLD, 60	us Furumo	tostrain 104.	°FD;			
			Virule	nt porcine pa	Virulent porcine parvovirus 90HS strain 105·° TCID50	strain 105	· · O TCIDso				
			Virule	nt porcine G	Virulent porcine Getah virus 2078 strain 10°· 4 LDs.º	strain 10	s. 4 LDs.				•

<sup>(</sup>E) In order to examine the effectiveness of the trivalent vaccine of the present invention, the vaccine was injected to three pregnant sows. Three weeks after the injection, virulent Japanese encephalitis virus (subcutaneously), virulent porcine parvoviruses (nasally) or virulent Getah viruses (subcutaneously) were inoculated to each of them. The injected sows were then observed and the results are shown in Table 5. As Is noted therefrom, the farrowing results of them were all normal. From the results, It was proved that the

trivalent vaccine was effective to prevention of fetal death to be caused by Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus.

(F) In order to determine the effective virus titer in the trivalent vaccine of the present invention, the effectiveness, if any, of various combinations of various contents of attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain, attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup>/SK strain and attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain in the trivalent vaccine was examined. The results are shown in Table 6, from which no difference is admitted in the effectiveness within the range of combinations of 10<sup>6.0</sup> to 10<sup>6.5</sup> TCID<sub>50</sub>/dose of attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain, 10<sup>5.0</sup> to 10<sup>5.5</sup> TCID<sub>50</sub>/dose of attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup>/SK strain and 10<sup>5.5</sup> to 10<sup>6.6</sup> TCID<sub>50</sub>/dose of attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain.

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					Table	9			
			(F) In	(F) Inoculation Test to	the pigle	ts with Varion	is Virus Co	the piglets with Various Virus Contents in Vaccine	ine
Virus		Content	No. of			HI Antibody Value	alue		
ï	Vaccine	e	Tested	JEV		PPV		<b>&gt;</b> 5	
(TCID,	(05		piglets	before	After	before	After	before	After
E	æ	×		inoculation	4 weeks	inoculation	4 weeks	inoculation	4 weeks
5.8	5.3	6.5		< 10	40	<10	40	< 10	160
			2	< 10	80	< 10	80	< 10	320
6.1	5.5	6.2	m	< 10	80	< 10	80	< 10	160
			4	< 10	160	< 10	40	< 10	08
0.9	5.0	9.9	5	< 10	40	< 10	80	< 10	160
			9	< 10	40	< 10	40	< 10	320
6.5	5.5	5.5	7	< 10	80	< 10	80	< 10	40
			<b>∞</b>	< 10	160	< 10	160	< 10	80

<sup>(</sup>G) Next, ten-fold dilutions the trivalent vaccine were made and applied to determine the dose response at piglets. The results are shown in Table 7, from which antibody response was confirmed in the attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain of being 10<sup>3. 0</sup> TCID <sub>50</sub> /dose or more, the attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup> /SK strain of being 10<sup>2. 0</sup> TCID <sub>50</sub> /dose or more, and the attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain of being 10<sup>3. 8</sup> TCID<sub>50</sub>/dose or more.

5					After	4 weeks		320	160	40	80	40	20	10	20	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10
10				QV	before	inoculation		<10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	· <10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10
15		in Vaccine	/alue		After	4 weeks		160	40	20	40	10	20	40	40	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10
20		is Contents	HI Antibody Value	РРУ	before	inoculation		< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10
25	7	Various Viru			After	4 weeks		160	80	40	20	10	20	40	40	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10
30	Table	Inoculation Test to piglets with Various Virus Contents in Vaccine		JEV	before	inoculation		< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10	< 10
35		tion Test to	Number of	Tested	Piglets			1	2	m	4	rv	9	7	œ	6	01 .	11	12
40		Inocula	Content	ne L			×	9.9		9.6		4.6		3.6		2.6		1.6	
45		(9)	Virus Co	in Vaccine	Tested	(TCIDso)	I	5.0		4.0		3.0		2.0		1.0		0	
				.11			E	6.0		5.0		4.0		3.0		2.0		1.0	
50			Combined	Vaccine	Dilutions			10.		10-1		10-2		10-3		10-4		10-5	

# 55 Claims

1. A live vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease, comprising an attenuated viral fluid as obtained by serial passages of virulent Getah virus strain at permissive temperature for propagation of it, to obtain

attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain followed by incubating the KB/VT strain in HAL cells.

- 2. The live vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease as claimed in claim 1, in which the virulent Getah virus has been attenuated by continuous serial passages of it in Vero cells at 30 °C.
- 3. The live vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease as claimed in claim 1 or 2, in which the virulent Getah virus has been attenuated by continuous serial passages of it to 70 generations followed by two times cloning by a plaque method.
- 4. The live vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease as claimed in claim 1, obtainable by cultivating an attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain, as obtained by serial passages of a virulent Getah virus strain at permissive temperature for propagation of it, to HAL cells in such a way that the multiplicity of infection (amount of inoculated viruses/number of cells) is about 0. 1; adsorbing the viruses to the cells for 60 minutes at 37 °C; then removing the inoculated viral fluid from the cells; adding a culture medium fluid for incubation of the viruses thereto; incubating the cells for 48 to 72 hours at 30 °C; and, after the cytopathic effect has been confirmed to progress to the middle degree or more, collecting the culture fluid to obtain an intended living vaccine to Getah virus infectious disease.
  - 5. A trivalent live vaccine to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus infectious diseases, comprising a mixture of a viral fluid obtainable by incubating an attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain in HmLu-1 cells, a viral fluid obtainable by incubating an attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup> /SK strain in swine kidney culture cells, and a viral fluid obtainable by incubating an attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain in HAL cells.
- 25 6. The trivalent live vaccine to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus infectious diseases as claimed in claim 5, comprising a mixture of a viral fluid as obtained by incubating an attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain in HmLu-1 cells, a viral fluid as obtained by incubating an attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup> /SK strain in swine kidney culture cells, and a viral fluid as obtained by incubating an attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain in HAL cells, in a proportion of 1/1/1.
  - 7. The trivalent live vaccine to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus infectious diseases as claimed in claim 5 or 6, comprising combination of an attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain of being 10<sup>3, 0</sup> TCID<sub>50</sub>/dose or more, an attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup> /SK strain of being 10<sup>2, 0</sup> TCID<sub>50</sub> /dose or more and an attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain of being 10 <sup>3, 6</sup> TCID<sub>50</sub>/dose or more.
  - 8. The trivalent live vaccine to Japanese encephalitis virus, porcine parvovirus and Getah virus infectious diseases as claimed in claim 5 or 6, comprising combination of an attenuated Japanese encephalitis virus m strain of being from 10<sup>6, 0</sup> to 10<sup>6, 5</sup> TCID<sub>50</sub>/dose, an attenuated porcine parvovirus HT<sup>-</sup> /SK strain of being from 10<sup>5, 0</sup> to 10<sup>5, 5</sup> TCID<sub>50</sub>/dose and an attenuated Getah virus KB/VT strain of being from 10<sup>5, 5</sup> to 10<sup>8, 6</sup> TCID<sub>50</sub> /dose.

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